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## State Supports Two Local Homeless Shelters

The Ohio Development Services Agency awarded two emergency shelters grants to make facility improvements. The grants are part of the Emergency Solutions Target of Opportunity Program.

“We work with local communities to make sure they have the resources they need to help our most vulnerable residents,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency.

Lima’s Samaritan House, Inc., (Allen County) received a \$14,700 grant to replace 26 and repair six windows. Lima’s Samaritan House operates a 21-bed emergency shelter serving single homeless women and women with children in Allen County. The agency will serve approximately 545 Ohioans.

Caring Kitchen, Inc., (Champaign County) received a \$57,500 grant to renovate their kitchen and restrooms, replace deteriorated floors and ceilings, as well as doors and drywall. The interior also will be repainted. Caring Kitchen operates a 22-bed emergency shelter serving homeless individuals and families in the county. The Caring Kitchen will serve approximately 177 Ohioans.

The Ohio Housing Trust Fund supports a wide range of housing activities including housing development, emergency home repair, handicapped accessibility modifications, and services related to housing and homelessness.

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